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**Samuel H. Mays, Jr.**  
District Judge

Date of Birth: 1948  
Education: Amherst 1970 BA; Yale 1973 JD  
Began Service: June 17, 2002  
Appointed By: President George W. Bush

**Government:** Legal Counsel, Office of the Governor, State of Tennessee (1995-1997); Deputy Governor and Chief of Staff, Office of the Governor, State of Tennessee (1997-2000)

**Legal Practice:** Contract Employee, Heiskell, Donelson, Adams, Williams and Wall (1973); Associate, Heiskell, Donelson, Adams, Williams and Wall (1973-1979); Shareholder, Heiskell, Donelson, Bearman, Adams, Williams & Kirsch (1979-1995); Shareholder, Baker, Donelson, Bearman & Caldwell (2000-2002)

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**J. Daniel Breen**  
District Judge

Date of Birth: July 10, 1950  
Education: Spring Hill 1972 BA; Tennessee 1975 JD  
Began Service: March 18, 2003  
Appointed By: President George W. Bush

**Judicial:** Magistrate Judge, United States District Court for the Western District of Tennessee (1991-2003)

**Legal Practice:** Partner, Waldrop, Breen, Bryant, Crews, Taylor & McLeary (1975-1991)

**Nonprofit:** President, Tennessee Bar Association (1996-1997)

**Current Memberships:** American Bar Association; American Bar Foundation, American Bar Association; The Lincoln-Douglas American Inn of Court, The American Inns of Court; Federal Bar Association; Federal Judges Association; Memphis Bar Association; Tennessee Bar Association; Tennessee Bar Foundation

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**Stanley Thomas Anderson**  
District Judge

Education: Tennessee 1976 BS  
Began Service: May 21, 2008  
Appointed By: President George W. Bush

**Chambers of Magistrate Judge Diane K. Vescovo**

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**Diane K. Vescovo**  
Magistrate Judge

Date of Birth: 1955  
Education: Virginia 1977 BA;  
Memphis State 1980 JD  
Began Service: June 15, 1995  
Term Expires: June 15, 2011

**Clerkships:** Law Clerk The Honorable Harry W. Wellford (1980-1981)

**Legal Practice:** Lloyd C. Kirkland, Jr. (1981-1987); International Paper Company (1987-1992); Wolff Ardis, P.C. (1992-1995)

**Current Memberships:** Association of Women Attorneys; Federal Magistrate Judges Association; Memphis Bar Association; Tennessee Bar Association

**Staff**

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**Tu M. Pham**  
Magistrate Judge

**Government:** Assistant U.S. Attorney, Northern District of Illinois, United States Attorney's Office, United States Department of Justice, William J. Clinton Administration (1999)

**Chambers of Magistrate Judge (recalled) Gerald B. Cohn**

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**Gerald B. Cohn**  
Magistrate Judge (recalled)

Date of Birth: 1939  
Education: Illinois Col 1961 BA; Chicago 1964 JD  
Began Service: June 2008  
Political Affiliation: Republican

**Current Memberships:** American Association for Justice; American Bar Association; American Judicature Society; Illinois State Bar Association; Madison County Bar Association

**Chambers of Senior Judge James Dale Todd**

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**James Dale Todd**  
Senior Judge

Date of Birth: 1943  
Education: Lambuth 1965 BS; Mississippi 1968 MCS;  
Memphis State 1972 JD  
Began Service: July 11, 1985  
Appointed By: President Ronald Reagan  
Political Affiliation: Republican

**Academic:** Science Teacher and Chairman, Science Department, Lyman High School (1965-1968); Science Teacher and Chairman, Science Department, Memphis University School (1968-1972)

**Judicial:** Judge, Tennessee Circuit Court, Division II (1983-1985); Chief Judge, Chambers of Chief Judge James D. Todd, United States District Court for the Western District of Tennessee (2001-2007)

**Legal Practice:** Waldrop, Farmer, Todd & Breen, PA (1972-1983)

**Current Memberships:** Federal Bar Association; Federal Judges Association; Jackson-Madison County Bar Association

**Staff**

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**United States Bankruptcy Court for the Western District of Tennessee**

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**Number of Judgeships:** 4

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**David S. Kennedy**  
Chief Bankruptcy Judge

Date of Birth: 1944  
Education: U Memphis 1970 JD  
Began Service: November 24, 1980  
Term Expires: 2014

**Academic:** Adjunct Professor, Cecil C. Humphreys School of Law; Faculty, Federal Judicial Center

**Clerkships:** Law Clerk The Honorable Robert M. McRae, United States District Court (1970-1971)

**Government:** Clerk of Court, United States Bankruptcy Court for the Western District of Tennessee (1974-1976); Trustee, United States Bankruptcy Court for the Western District of Tennessee

**Legal Practice:** Private Practice (1972-1973); Private Practice (1976-1980)

**Current Memberships:** Memphis Bar Association; National Conference of Bankruptcy Judges; Shelby County Bar Association; Tennessee Bar Association

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**G. Harvey Boswell**  
Bankruptcy Judge

Date of Birth: 1947  
Education: Memphis State 1978 JD  
Began Service: November 16, 1993  
Term Expires: November 15, 2021

**Legal Practice:** Sole Practitioner (1980-1982); Partner, Kizer, Bonds, Boswell & Crocker (1982-1993)

**Current Memberships:** American Bankruptcy Institute; National Conference of Bankruptcy Judges; Tennessee Bar Association; Tennessee Bar Foundation

**Staff**

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